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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated December 14, 2005, for which a response was due on March 14, 2006. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a two-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to May 15, 2006 (May 14, 2006 being a Sunday). Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are included (both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes).